(b) if so, the criterion for the selection of Development Blocks;

(c) whether Government will deprive the farmers of other facilities under these schemes like demonstrations and organic fertilizers etc. and whether the subsidy on wheat and coarse foodgrains has been reduced to 75 per cent which was cent per cent earlier; and

(d) if so, whether in view of the limited financial sources of Madhya Pradesh, these schemes will be operated in the State with cent per cent assistance from the Centre?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI ARVIND NETAM): (a) and (b) The Centrally Sponsored Schemes of Rice, Wheat, Maize & Millets have been modified as Integrated Cereals Development Programme—Rice (ICDP-Rice), Wheat (ICDP-Wheat) and Coarse Cereals (ICDP-Coarse Cereals) for implementation in respective cropping system areas for increasing the overall production of cereals instead of individual crop from the year 1994-95.

The blocks having comparatively larger area coverage under Cereals and the productivity levels lower than the State/National average have been identified under the Integrated Cereals Development Programmes for the implementation of field demonstrations and farmers training. However, other components of the schemes like distribution of seeds and farm implements, awards to Gram Panchayats for maximising the productivity, etc. are being implemented in all the blocks of the States covered under the schemes.

(c) and (d) Under the schemes, incentives for demonstration are being given to the farmers. There is generally no reduction of incentives provided to the farmers as compared to the earlier schemes. However, the schemes are being implemented uniformly on 75:25 funding pattern between the Government of India and concerned State Governments including Madhya Pradesh. There is no proposal under consideration to vary the funding pattern for any State.

Take over of Amul Dairy by Gujarat Government

4053. DR. BAPU KALDATE: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Central Government are aware that the Government of Gujarat has decided to take over the management of Amul Dairy and if so, what are the details thereof;

(b) on what grounds the Dairy is proposed to be taken over by the Government of Gujarat; and

(c) the reaction of Government in regard thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI ARVIND NETAM): (a) The Government of Gujarat have informed that there is no such move at present to take over the management of Amul Dairy.

(b) and (c) Question does not arise.

Subsidy on fertilizers

4054. SHRI SANJAY DALMIA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the total subsidy sanctioned for supply of fertilizers to the cultivators during 1994-95;

(b) the rate of subsidy on various products;

(c) whether the subsidy has been given to the manufacturers and included in the wholesale/retail price; and

(d) the estimated proportion of the volume of fertilizer subsidies which has been utilised by the small and marginal farmers?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI ARVIND NETAM): (a) to (d) During 1994-95, payments to Fertilizer Manufacturers/Importers (MOP) towards reimbursement of concession on sale of decontrolled phosphatic and potassic fertilizers to the farmers, were made on the basis of certified reports of sales submitted by the States|UTs. Payments amounting to Rs. 514.02 crores were processed and cleared upto 31-3-1995. This scheme was applicable to all categories of farmers including small and marginal farmers and a concession of Rs. 1000|- per tonne on MOP and indigenous DAP, Rs. 340|- per tonne on SSP and between Rs. 435-999|- per tonne on indigenous Complexes (depending upon the grade) was given.

Restoration of fertilizer subsidy

4055. SHRI SANJAY DALMIA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the State Governments have demanded for restoration of fertilizer subsidy to 1992 level;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the reaction of Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI ARVIND NETAM): (a) to (c) Only Karnataka has asked for restoration of fertilizer subsidy on decontrolled fertilizers to the 1992 level on the ground that their consumption has decreased because of hike in their prices. As the Phosphatic and Potassic fertilizers were decontrolled on the recommendations of the JPC, there is no proposal at present to go back to 1992 level.

Production of rice and wheat

4056. SHRI SANJAY DALMIA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether any assessment has been made about the production of rice and wheat in the country during the last three years;

(b) if so, whether India is in a position to export these commodities;

(c) the total target production of these commodities set and actually achieved during the above period;

(d) the details of arrangements made for storing the excess foodgrains in the country;

(e) whether the scheme of food for work is also proposed to be reintroduced in the country;

(f) if so, the details thereof; and

(g) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI ARVIND NETAM): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) Total targets and production of rice and wheat during 1991-92, 1992-93 and 1993-94 is as follows:—

(Million tonnes)

Year	Rice		Wheat	
	Target	Production	Target	Production
1991-92	76.50	74.68	56.50	55.69
1992-93	77.25	72.86	57.00	57.21
1993-94	78.50	78.97	58.50	59.13